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SOUTH BEND, WASHINGTON – The City of South Bend is implementing changes to stem the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19. Effective Friday, March 20th at 4:00 pm and until further notice, City Hall, the Police Dept, Municipal Court, the Public Works Shop and the public restroom at Highway 101 & Summit Street will be closed to the public. Office staff will remain available by phone at (360) 875-5571 from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm. Utility bills and municipal court payments can be made by dropping payments in the outside drop box or online at www.southbend-wa.gov. Everyone's safety is very important to us. If there is a wery urgent matter please call, or if necessary, knock on the lobby door.

At this time, it is recommended people follow CDC recommendations such as:

- ❖ Stay home when you are sick
- ❖ Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue or your sleeve
- ❖ Wash your hands often with soap and water
- ❖ Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands
- Clean frequently touched surfaces and objects
- ❖ Follow social distancing protocols and avoid people who are sick

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention lists symptoms of COVID-19 as "mild to severe respiratory illness with fever, cough and difficulty breathing".

Updated information on the current status of the COVID-19 response and how the public should respond is available at the Department of Health and Pacific County Health Department websites.

These changes are in the best interest of our staff, customers and community. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call City Hall.

Thank you for your cooperation during this unprecedented time.

For more information or questions: Contact South Bend City Hall at (360) 875-5571